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### WAR AND THE FARMER

The war has given to the American farmer the greatest responsibility, the greatest privilege and the greatest task any man or any class of men have ever known.

The American farmer in large degree will determine the trend of human history for all time to come because the enormous ultimate consequences of this conflict rest primarily upon the farmers' production of food and feed to sustain the fighting forces. They might fail even with an adequate food supply; without they are certain to fail.

But in his field, far from the fury of battle, far from either the adventures or the horrors of the firing line, the American farmer will say whether autocracy or democracy shall rule the world during the seasons that are to come.

In a sense the war will be won or lost in the fields, gardens, orchards, pastures and hog lots of the American farmer.

The hope of the American citizen, who is not a farmer, also hinges upon adequate agricultural production. Our aeroplanes are useless, our guns are spiked and our rifles jammed, our shells are but as harmless baubles, if the farmer fails. This must be understood in all its grim force by every man, woman and child in America: by farmers and by those who are not farmers.

With food we can win the war. Lack of food will lose the war. Whether or not we produce the food depends upon whether or not each and every individual farmer does his level best on his farm—produces its maximum.

But the "agricultural problem" means not merely the production of foodstuffs and feedstuffs and live stock. It means the conservation of the food after it is produced. That puts the "agricultural problem" squarely up to everyone from the man on a 40-acre field to the man whose fertile lands run farther than he can see; from the tenement cave-dweller to the occupant of the costliest mansion.

The agricultural problem means to every American, and indeed to every civilized person on earth, simply whether he shall, when this strife ends, be a free person in a free land or whether he shall be bossed from Berlin.

That is the precise interest that you, now reading these lines, have

in the agricultural problem in America today. You may have been a farmer all your life or you may not know the difference between a straight furrow and a threshing machine—no matter what your condition may be, one of the two divisions of the agricultural problem is yours to produce food or to conserve food.

Many people have thought of the war as "far away," as a remote, impersonal thing, or sort of dreadful nightmare—but not as a spectre menacing our immediate persons and property. Our appreciation of the actuality is more poignant now with our own flesh and blood upon the firing line. That firing-line is in France today. It will come to America if the farmer fails.

No matter what course military strategy may take, the final battle-field of the war is already fixed. The Waterloo of the Prussian autocrat and all he stands for, or the Waterloo of American liberty—the end of autocracy or the end of democracy—the end of Prussianism or the end of freedom—will be wrought on the battlefield of the American farm—every American farm.

But even victory there will not avail if we lose in another equally fateful battlefield—the American kitchen. If we produce to the limit of farm resources and energies and do not conserve what we produce we may lose by waste.

No conceivable responsibility could be more proud, no opportunity more rich for significant service than the American farmer has today. The war has sounded a call to duty in every individual throughout civilization. The course of the individual life is not now to be considered in terms of self. The question dominating every individual is for what service can be used—what can he best do to help win the war. To some the call comes to march away with uniform and gun, to some it comes for the organization and administration of parts of the great war machine—to the American farmer comes the call to feed the forces fighting for liberty. To every other man, woman and child comes the call to save.

That about sizes up your personal interest in the Nation's agricultural production and conservation program.

# Missouri Headlight Law

Section 10, ACT OF 1917. Vehicles to carry lights—power—how used—kind.

Every motor vehicle, while on the public highways, whether in operation or otherwise, during the period from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise, and at all times when fog or other atmospheric conditions render the operation of vehicles dangerous to the traffic on and use of the highways, shall carry at the front, at least two lighted lamps not exceeding thirty-six candle power each (except that motorcycles shall carry one lighted lamp) showing white lights visible, under normal atmospheric conditions, at least five hundred feet in the direction toward which said motor vehicle is facing, which lamp shall produce sufficient light to reveal objects one hundred and fifty feet ahead, and shall be adjusted and directed so that on level ground, the main shaft of clear, condensed light, shall be projected straight forward, and no portion of it shall be above the level of the lamp nor more than forty two inches above the ground. Such adjustment and direction shall be permanently maintained. Electric headlights shall, in addition, have the entire inside surface of their door glasses etched or ground to such a degree or be so formed that the lighted filament shall appear blurred and indistinctly defined, and that the light emitted shall be defused and free from scintillation and brilliant or metallic luster.

Section (7). Color of Lights.

No vehicle shall show any other than white lights to the front and red light to the rear.

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### CAUGHT THIEF

An attempted steal of turkeys near Bethel and the catching of one of the three thieves, a woman, in the act, has caused much talk in the community about Bethel. The two remaining members of the party are known, one of them being said to hold office in Bethel and charges will likely be filed against all three.

As told to us, the facts are about as follows: There has been considerable poultry stealing about Bethel this fall and suspicion pointed to certain parties. Last Wednesday Mart Schriever of west of Bethel received several such urgent invitations to attend a little party that he became suspicious that someone wanted to get him away from home. He sent his family to the party and he remained at home, taking his dog indoors with him.

When he heard a noise in his poultry yard, he let the dog out and he went around another way. Just as he turned his flash light on the

intruders, Mr. Schriever was struck and knocked down. As he fell, he grasped a woman by the clothing and hung on in spite of her struggles. When he got to his feet, the two men had fled in a car, leaving him in possession of the woman. He took her to the house, finding, to his astonishment, she was a neighbor living about a mile away.

Mr. Schriever found five turkeys tied together that were abandoned by the men when they fled. We haven't learned what Mr. Schriever will do with the hen they left behind—Shelbina Democrat.

The farmer who is not planning to make every acre of his land do something in 1918 is not planning well. With present tree top prices and with a reasonable certainty that there will not be much, if any, decline in 1918, it will certainly pay to plow and plant.

Mrs. Lizzie Perry and Mrs. Ed Feeny, of Ely were shopping in this city Wednesday.

### ANOTHER MILESTONE

Another year is drawing to a close. Another milestone of life is in view and we shall, in all human probability, pass it and struggle on to the next. We are all after happiness, in one way or another. Even the recluse, even the martyrs of old were on the endless search for happiness, though the joy of heaven rather than that of earth was the goal fixed upon in the eyes of those who sacrificed the present for the future. Eternal happiness was what they desired. Unselfish happiness is always waiting right around the corner if we will only take our eyes off the far distance and look nearer home. The resolve to make next year a happy year for those nearest us will bring a good deal of real joy and satisfaction to the maker of the resolution if he holds out well.

W. H. Eagle returned to his home in Brashear first of the week after a few days stay at this place.

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